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In re Application of: )

Seung-Choul YANG, et al. )

Application No.: 10/043,178 )

Filed: January 14, 2002 )

For: SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS AND )  
METHOD FOR CREATING )  
ANATOMIC WORKING SPACE IN )  
MINILAPAROTOMY PROCEDURE )

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1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003.
2. Additional papers enclosed.

- ☒ Submission of Replacement Drawing Sheets (with Figs. 5,6,7,8 and 9 (enclosed))  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Form PTO-1449, 1 reference included  
☐ Citations  
☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit  
☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	30	Minus	34	0	x \$18.00 each=	+ \$ 0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	6	Minus	5	1	x \$86.00 each=	+ \$ 86.00
[ ] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$290.00	+ \$
SUB-TOTAL =						\$ 86.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity-						\$ 43.00
TOTAL FEE =						\$ 43.00

6. Fee Payment

☐ No fee is to be paid at this time.

☒ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$518.00** for the (\$475.00 three-month extension of time fee and \$43.00 additional claims fee).

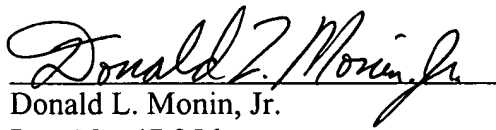
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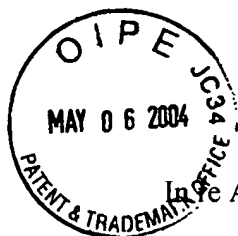
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**SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT SHEETS OF DRAWINGS**

Filed herewith are five (5) replacement sheets of drawings respectively containing Figures 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. These replacement sheets of drawings are filed so that Figures 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are labeled to respectively show the reference labels 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90 in accordance with the originally filed specification. In addition, Figure 5 is amended to show the through-hole in the blade as clearly disclosed in the originally filed specification.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of these drawings, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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